Installation

By **Kris Bishop** Zeta Zeta Chapter Editor

Theta joins new sorority system at Colgate.

heta tradition that dates from 1870 and the heritage of an 1830s-era chapter house combined to give 92 women at Colgate University new-found sisterhood and a new home, as Zeta Zeta Chapter became the newest link in Kappa Alpha Theta.

The new Theta chapter joins the women of Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Chi Omega, Gamma Phi Beta and Kappa Kappa Gamma, in Colgate's newly established sorority system.

Installed the weekend of May 6 at the University in Colgate, N.Y., Zeta Zeta

began as a local sorority organized by 19 Colgate freshmen in the Spring of 1986. The group received recognition from the University and, with hopes of becoming a Theta chapter, pledged additional members and drafted bylaws. In March, 1987, the group became a colony of Kappa Alpha Theta.

The 92 colony members enthusiastically began their pledgeship and, with the help of Chapter Consultant Tobi Sani, learned about the history, goals and ideals of Kappa Alpha Theta. Pledge meetings, as well as informal group gettogethers helped

give the pledges a strong sense of Theta sisterhood. One such event was a camping retreat held April 22, when the women met at a nearby campsite for a day of rollerskating, baseball and volleyball. After a cook-out dinner, most colony members spent the night in cabins. The retreat was a big success. All left feeling very excited about the commitment they were about to make.

Friday, May 6, Grand President Sue Supple arrived at Colgate with the installation team: Grand Vice President Development Marian Paoletti; Grand Vice President Finance Sue Blair-Sheets; Dianne Treadwell, alumnae district president; Ginny Calvert, college district president; Joyce Ann Vitelli, music director; Betsy Sierk, director of chapter services; Susan Kiley, assistant director of chapter services; Susan Ballard, financial adviser; and Tobi Sani and Kelley Galbreath, chapter consultants.

The 48 founding members signed the charter Sunday morning, and Zeta Zeta became a proud chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta.

Thanks to the work of House Corporation President Nancy Cook; alumnae Bonnie Jones, Linda Tite, Susan Ballard; and collegians Sara Jones and Andrea Allocco, Zeta Zeta is also enjoying a new chapter house. Through their efforts and several town meetings, the house corporation officially received ownership of the house during the summer.

The chapter house was built in the 1830s and is registered with Hamilton's historical society. Forty-three Zeta Zeta members live in the main house and an annex of apartments built behind it.

Left: Zeta Zeta president Cynthia Tite (I) and Connie Cook. Above: Chapter members gather for a group portrait. Right: The front facade of the historic 150 year old Chapter house.







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ZETA ZETA CHARTER MEMBERS

Andrea Allocco, North Babylon, NY Suzy Bean, Staten Island, NY Kris Bishop, Taipei, Taiwan Jennifer Bondy, Mendham, NY Lauren Bright, Pound Ridge, NY Noreen Byrne, Staten Island, NY Sue Calder, New Boston, NH Molly Chase, Fayetteville, NY Carol Ann Comyns, Palm Beach, FL Connie Cook, E. Grand Rapids, MI Sara Corbett, Andover, MA Christina Cruikshank, Chicago, IL Tracey Doerr, Yorktown Hts., NY Dee Dee Fincke, Berwyn, PA Alison Forrest, Short Hills, NJ Jolie Goldstein, Dix Hills, NY Betsy Grossman, New York, NY Anna Hahn, Flemington, NJ Ellis Hensler, Basking Ridge, NJ Laurie Honish, Villanova, PA Kendra Johnson, Greenwich, CT Sara Jones, Fayetteville, NY Marlo La Corte, Clifton, NJ Annie Marks, New York, NY Laura Marotz, Sudbury, MA Kristin McCarthy, Farmington, CT Meegan McNett, St. Louis, MO Melissa McStay, Memphis, TN Eileen Morgan, Commack, NY Sara Needleman, Ossining, NY Kelly Noonan, Princeton, NJ Maggie Nye, Rye, NY Katie O'Brien, Winnetka, IL Julie O'Leary, Synder, NY Kristen Olsen, Rockford, IL Antonia Penruddocke, Greenwich, CT Bonnie Pierson, New Canaan, CT Jenni Poehner, Greenwich, CT Caroline Quarles, Atlanta, GA Meg Reiss, New York, NY Cynthia Rose, New Canaan, CT Kate Scholan, Essex Jct., VT Jill Schulte, S. Orange, NJ Nora Simpson, Pittsburgh, PA J. J. Steinmann, New York, NY Cindy Tite, Tully, NY Kristy Wesson, Summit, NJ Nicole Wetzold, Armonk, NY